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For:

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FIBER PRODUCED WITH THE METHOD

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Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 127

Also attached:

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Total Claims	25	27	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 13, 2007, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.